

## ***What is the future of the Alaska EMSC program?***

Some of the activities planned include:

- ♦ Increasing pediatric training for health care professionals throughout the state;
- ♦ Utilizing 2009 American College of Emergency Physicians equipments for pediatric emergency medical care training;
- ♦ Improving EMS data collection capabilities;
- ♦ Creating pediatric technical assistance teams to assist rural, volunteer agencies in the delivery of pediatric emergency medical care; and
- ♦ Enhancing public awareness of EMSC in the state, and integrating its priorities in AK Statutes and Regulations;



## ***How can I get involved?***

There are several ways you can get involved:

- ♦ Participate in pediatric training offered throughout the state;
- ♦ Become an advocate for EMSC;
- ♦ Contact your EMS Regional office or the state EMS office for more information.

## ***Where I can find more information?***

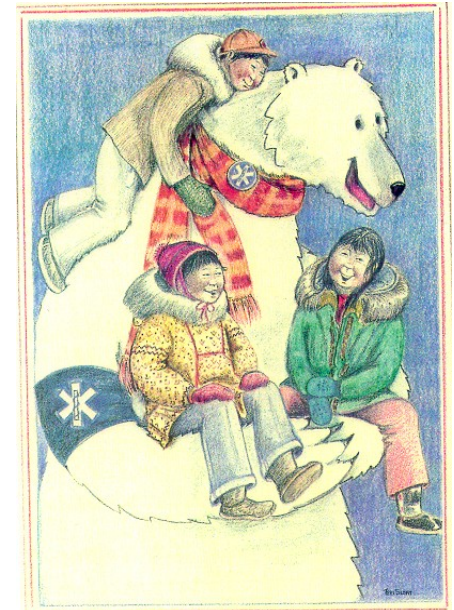
- ♦ Visit our website at:  
**<http://www.chems.alaska.gov/EMSC.htm>**
- ♦ Join the Alaska EMSC list server by sending an e-mail message to:  
**[list.manager@list.state.ak.us](mailto:list.manager@list.state.ak.us)**,  
the body of the message should be:  
**subscribe ak-emsc.**
- ♦ Contact Raj Maskay, Alaska EMSC Program Manager at 465-8633 or EMSC Advisory Committee Members.



## ***Regional EMS Offices:***

- ♦ Southern Region EMS Council: 562-6449;
- ♦ Interior Region EMS Council: 456-3978;
- ♦ Southeast Region EMS Council: 747-8005;
- ♦ Norton Sound Health Corporation: 443-3311, ext. 3306;
- ♦ North Slope Borough Region: 852-0234;
- ♦ Maniilaq Association EMS: 442-7695; and
- ♦ Yukon Kuskokwim Health Corporation: 543-6081.

# ***Emergency Medical Services for Children***



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## National Emergency Medical Services for Children (EMSC) Mission Statement

*The Emergency Medical Services for Children program is designed to reduce the child and youth mortality and morbidity sustained due to severe illness or trauma. It aims to ensure state of the art emergency medical care for the ill or injured child and adolescent: to ensure that pediatric services are well integrated into an emergency medical services (EMS) system backed by optimal resources; and to ensure that the entire spectrum of emergency services, including primary prevention of illness and injury, acute care, and rehabilitation, is provided to children and adolescents as well as adults.*

### **What is the Alaska EMSC program?**

The Alaska EMSC program is designed to enhance the pediatric capabilities of the current system originally designed for adults. Alaska first became a grantee with the EMSC program in the early 1990's. We have had several grants since that time and EMSC has maintained a strong presence in Alaska.

The program resides in the Section of Community Health and EMS, Division of Public Health, Department of Health and Social Services. Funding for this program comes from federal grants from the Department of Health and Human Services, Health Resource Services Administration, Maternal Child Health Bureau, Emergency Medical Services for Children.



### **What are the goals of the Alaska EMSC program?**

The goals of the program include:

- ♦ improving the availability of pediatric equipment for EMS agencies, community health aide clinics, rural clinics and hospitals throughout the state.
- ♦ improving the pediatric training that is available in the state at every level, to include personnel working in pre-hospital, emergency departments, rural hospitals and clinics, and school nurses.
- ♦ educating children and youth in injury prevention and basic trauma care.



### **How are the goals accomplished?**

The Alaska EMSC Program accomplishes the goals of the program through:

- ♦ an EMSC Training Plan;
- ♦ an EMSC Task Force with representation throughout the state and from many disciplines;
- ♦ working with the Regional EMS offices;
- ♦ working with hospitals, clinics, EMS agencies, and health professionals throughout the state.
- ♦ Model Pediatric Protocols  
([http://www.chems.alaska.gov/EMS/Assets/NAEMSP\\_PedProtocols.pdf](http://www.chems.alaska.gov/EMS/Assets/NAEMSP_PedProtocols.pdf))
- ♦ 2009 National Guideline for Equipments for Ambulances ( ACS Guideline)  
(<http://www.acep.org/workarea/downloadasset.aspx?id=8850>)
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**Alaska's EMSC Program Wins  
National Award**